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METHOD AND DEVICE FOR PRODUCING A HARD METAL TOOL

AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

MAIL STOP AMENDMENT Honorable Commissioner of Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated June 29, 2006, please amend the above-identified patent application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 8 of this paper.